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Applicant: Oliver MORGAN et al.  
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For: MAINTAINING INTEROPERABILITY OF SYSTEMS THAT USE  
DIFFERENT METADATA SCHEMAS

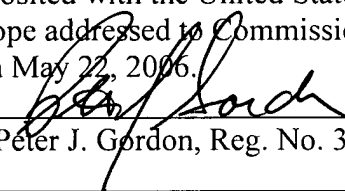
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**REPLY AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of November 22, 2005, the Applicant submits this Reply.

Applicant hereby petitions for a **3-month extension of time** to submit this Reply.

A **Request for Continued Examination** accompanies this Reply.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3.

**Remarks** begin on page 6, of which the **Conclusion** is on page 7.

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